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PROGRAM Frank Terpil: Confessions
of a Dangerous Man

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DANIEL SCHORR: Tonight, the story of an
ative, Frank Terpil, who 16 months ago fled from a 5
for supplying arms to terrorists. He tells his sto
in Beirut.

Good evening. I'm Daniel Schorr.

Terrorism looms in our era as a greater threat than war.
It causes world leaders, including President Reagan, to live in
suffocating cocoons of security. Terrorism operates from safe
havens, like Libya. Colonel Qaddafi's oil wealth buys the in-
struments of terror and the know-how to use them. Some of that
comes from this country, American know-how at the service of
America's enemies.

Veterans of America's clandestine wars have turned to
selling their skills and contacts in the marketplace of violence.
Profiting from terror without suffering qualms takes a certain
mentality. In the next 90 minutes, you will get to know one of
the merchants of terror more intimately than has ever been pos-
sible before.

NARRATOR: On the morning of Monday, December the 22nd,
1979, undercover detective Nicky Grillo reached the 27th floor
of this New York hotel. On that morning, he was wearing a wai-
ter's uniform borrowed from Forlini's restaurant. He entered
this room. Inside was a squad under Detective Sergeant Merv
Woike (?).

MERV WOIKE: I was here that day with Sergeant Rosen-
zweig and six detectives. We brought all the equipment we thought
we would need for that day, which included four shotguns. We also